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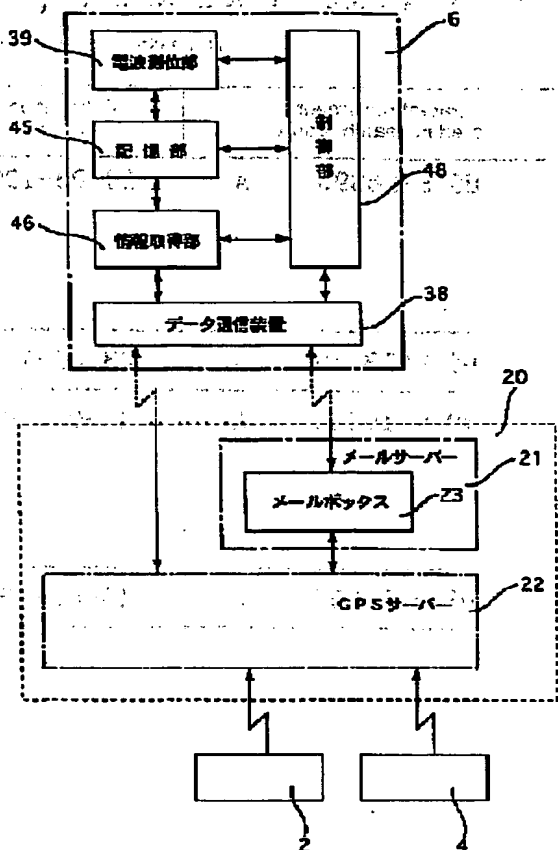
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ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a terminal equipment and an information providing system capable of acquiring position information in a short time by using a small-sized portable terminal equipment.

SOLUTION: This terminal equipment 6 is provided with a storage part 45 for storing initial information relating to a satellite used at the acquisition of the position information in a radio wave position measurement part 39 and an information acquisition part 46 capable of down-loading the initial information from the GPS server 22 of this information providing system 20 through the internet through a data communication equipment 38. Thus, the terminal equipment capable of shortening the time (ten-odd minutes) required for receiving the initial information from a GPS satellite to about several seconds and providing a user with the position information in several seconds to about ten-odd seconds even in a state of cold start is provided.

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